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Kenya Second English Teaching Assistant in-country Orientation

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PAS Nairobi held a pre-service orientation for the second English Teaching Assistant (ETA) at the Embassy in Nairobi. PAO John Haynes welcomed the ETA and gave an overview of the U.S. Embassy's role in Kenya and the ETA's place in it and USG programs in Kenya. He also emphasized on the importance of teaching English in Kenya. The ETA had discussions with Dr. Mujahid, the Director Ummul Qura Education Center and Adam Janosko and ETA based in Malindi. They shared experience, challenges of teaching English and effective teaching methods.

The activity is aimed at ETA adapt to their new working environment. Their program directly contributes to the promotion of English in particular and education in general, which are key priorities in MSP. Areas covered include logistical, cultural and educational information. The ETA appreciated the support and assistance offered by the mission, the information and resources provided was helpful in making her stay in Kenya comfortable